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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CPAS, UR, LY

SUBJECT: PASSPORTS: ARABIC IN PASSPORTS

REF: A. STATE 159095; B. MOSCOW 9734; C. MOSCOW 6294

1. AGANIN AUG. 20 PROVIDED SAMPLE OF SOVIET ARABIC-LANGUAGE STAMP FOR SOVIET PASSPORTS, AND INDICATED SITUATION IS SAME AS REPORTED REF. C. SOVIETS FILL IN DATA (NAME, DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, ETC.) IN ARABIC, AND AUTHENTICATE WITH ZEAL SIMILAR TO US CONSULAR RUBBER STAMP SEAL. SOVIETS DEMAND RECIPROCAL PRACTICE FROM LIBYANS.

2. AGANIN INDICATED THERE HAVE BEEN NO SPECIAL PROBLEMS SINCE SOVIETS BEGAN ABOVE PRACTICE. AGANIN SAID SOVIET GOVT. IS STILL CONSIDERING LIBYAN GOVERNMENT NOTE CIRCULATED IN TRIPOLI STATING THAT PRACTICE SUCH AS ABOVE IS SATISFACTORY ONLY AS INERIM  
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MEASURE AND COUNTIRES MUST PRINT ARABIC TEXT IN ORIGINAL PASSPORTS.

AGANIN INDICATED HE PERSONALLY CONSIDERED IT UNLIKELY SOVIETS  
WOULD MEET SUCH A DEMAND.

3. EMBOFF IT CLEAR US WAS NOT CONTEMPLATING CHANGE.  
AGANIN ASKED IF NATO COUNTRIES WERE TONCINUING TO REFUSE  
LIBYAN DEMAND AND ASKED ABOUT SPECIFIC COUNTRIES -- CANADA  
AND BRITAIN. CONSOFF SAID HE DID NOT HAVE DETAILS. EMBOFF  
DID NOT LEAVE AGANIN WITH IMPRESSION THAT EMBASSY WOULD  
PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION, BUT IF DEPARTMENT PRODUCES ANY  
READILY-AVAILABLE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION WHICH IT WOULD NOT  
MIND CONVEYING TO SOVIETS, IT MIGHT WISH TO AUTHORIZE US TO  
TELL AGANIN ORALLY AT SOME APPROPRIATE INSTANCE. HE SEEMS TO  
HAVE BEEN FORTHCOMING IN PAST IN PROVIDING INFORMATION ABOUT  
SOVIET PRACTICE AND EXPERIENCE.

4. AIRGRAM WITH EXEMPLAR FOLLOWS.  
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